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Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [2263

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS are notified that there will be no COMPETITION this week, the POLICE RANGES not being available.
A. S. PALMER, Captain,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [56

ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525 E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at 8 for 8.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [2667

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [2668

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [2669

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [2670

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FOR LONDON VIA PORTS OF CALL.
THE Company's Steamship
"MOYUNE,"
C. Kemp, Commander, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 24th inst., at 3 o'clock P.M.
For Freight, apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [2664

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship
"NANCHANG,"
Captain Finlayson, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 25th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [2671

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "SACHSEN."

THE above-named steamer having arrived.
Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given TO-DAY before 4 P.M.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst. will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at 3 P.M.
All Claims must reach us before the 29th inst., or they will be not recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [7

NOTICE OF FIRMS.

NOTICE

MY Brother, Mr. EDMUND HUMPHREYS, my Son, Mr. HENRY HUMPHREYS, Mr. HART BUCK, and my Nephew, Mr. JOHN AMBROSE JUPP, have been this day ADMITTED into PARTNERSHIP in my firm of JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.
JNO. D. HUMPHREYS.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1895. [2499

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM this date, during the absence of Mr JAS. B. COUGHTRIE from the Colony, Mr. GEO. L. TOMLIN has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.
A. McCONACHIE,
Chairman.
Hongkong, 9th December, 1895. [2547

ENTERTAINMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL.
CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB
Will give two Performances of
ARTHUR W. PINERO'S Popular Farce
"DANDY DICK"
ON
THURSDAY, 26th DECEMBER, 1895.
SATURDAY, 28th DECEMBER, 1895.
Commencing each Evening at 9 P.M. precisely.

Messrs. C. H. Grace, V. A. Cæsar-Hawkins, R. Burney, F. Clark, S. L. Darby, A. S. C. Manners, and W. S. Frowd.
Mrs. J. Andrew, Mrs. V. A. Cæsar-Hawkins, Miss M. Dick-Melbourne, and Mrs. Alfred Wrottesley.

TICKETS can be obtained at the Theatre Royal, CITY HALL, on and after THURSDAY the 19th December.
Booking Office open each day from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M.
Prices $3, $2, and $1.
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Hongkong, 12th December, 1895. [258

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FURTHER PARTICULARS as to date of Performance, &c., later.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2653

IN THE SESSIONS COURT OF SANDAKAN.

(PROBATE JURISDICTION).

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TAN TOON, DECEASED, LATELY CARRYING ON THE BUSINESS OF MERCHANT UNDER THE STYLE OR CHOP OF HENG LEONG, AT SIMPORNA.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the Estate of the above-named deceased, who died at Simporna, Darvel Bay District, British North Borneo, on the 6th day 11th Moon KWONG TSU XX. (2nd DECEMBER, 1894) or against the said Chop of HENG LEONG are hereby required to send in writing the particulars of their claims or demands to me the undersigned as Administrator of the said Estate on or before the 8th JANUARY, 1896. And notice is hereby also given that on or after the above-mentioned date I shall not hold myself responsible for any debts, claims, or demands of which I shall not then have had notice.
And notice is hereby further given that all persons indebted to the said deceased are required to pay forthwith the amount of their debts to the undersigned.
Dated at SANDAKAN this 8th day of October, 1895.
P. F. J. MARCUS,
Administrator.
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THE DAIRY FARM CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at TELEGRAPH HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., at NOON, for the Purpose of Presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to the 30th NOVEMBER last.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 14th inst. to the 27th inst., both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th December, 1895. [2592

PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY, CONNAUGHT HOUSE, on SATURDAY, the 28th DECEMBER, 1895, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of Presenting the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to SEPTEMBER 30th, 1895, and for the Election of Directors and Auditors.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1895. [264

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY will be held in the Board Room of THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, on SATURDAY, the 28th day of DECEMBER, 1895, at NOON, to Confirm the SPECIAL RESOLUTION passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held This Day.
JNO. D. HUMPHREYS,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1895. [2591

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS called for NOON, on the 14th, is postponed to NOON, on SATURDAY, the 28th inst.
W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1895. [2572

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the GENERAL AGENTS, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will on the 2nd JANUARY, 1896, issue INTEREST WARRANTS of $5 per Share payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, the same being at the rate of 10 per Cent. per Annum on the Paid-up Capital of the OFFICE for the year 1895.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 31st inst., both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.
Canton Insurance Office, Limited.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [264

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Hongkong, 30th November, 1895. [a23

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 25th and 26th inst. respectively.
FOR THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.
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J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.
FOR THE BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.
L. SIMON,
Manager.
FOR THE BANK OF CHINA AND JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG.
CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2652

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 25th and 26th instant, respectively.
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
N. J. EDE,
Secretary,
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.
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YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LTD.
GEORGE L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary,
CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
WM. MACHEAN,
Manager,
THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [2660

PRELIMINARY ADVERTISEMENT.

A NEWSPAPER
will be Published very soon,
to be called
HUMPHREYS CLOCK.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1895. [2452

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But what, when I am in my grave,
They'll have far more than I can save;
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The money will provide for me,
And an old age, serene and bright
And peaceful as a summer night,
Shall lead me to the grave."
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Write, 'phone, or call on us or me.
SHEWAN & CO.,
General Agents,
or
J. T. HAMILTON,
Manager for the East.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [a347

AUCTION.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received Instructions to Sell by
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at No. 14, BELLIOS TERRACE,
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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2654

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AUCTIONS.

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CHRISTMAS SALE!!

THE Undersigned has received Instructions to Sell by
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TO-DAY
(SATURDAY), the 21st DECEMBER, 1895,
Commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
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A FINE LOT OF
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TERMS OF SALE—As Customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1895. [2635

CLEARANCE SALE.

Owing to Alteration of Premises.

THE Undersigned has received Instructions, from Messrs. G. FALCONER & Co., to Sell by
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MONDAY, the 23rd DECEMBER, 1895,
at 2.30 P.M.,
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and
1 LARGE MILNER'S SAFE.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2643

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 518.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 23rd day of DECEMBER, 1895, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. F. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 7th December, 1895. [2619

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 23rd day of DECEMBER, 1895, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a Term of 999 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Inland Lot No. 1,338.	Tung Lo Wan (Causeway Bay.)	50	50	100	100	5,000	38	750

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 519.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 23rd day of DECEMBER, 1895, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 7th December, 1895. [2620

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 23rd day of DECEMBER, 1895, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a Term of 999 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Wongneichong Island Lot No. 124.	Wongneichong Village.	50	50	31	31	1,550	4	78

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

I, VICTOR H. DEACON, Notary Public, do hereby Certify that on this 9th day of DECEMBER, 1895, the DEBENTURES bearing the Numbers set out below were Duly DRAWN FOR REDEMPTION by me at the Registered Office of the COMPANY in Hongkong.

NOS. OF DEBENTURES.

22, 45, 48, 58, 60, 65, 78, 84, 89, 116, 118, 123, 144, 145, 146, 149, 150, 161, 175, 181, 183, 184, 202, 205, 209, 223, 228, 238, 258, 278, 280, 310, 314, 317, 324, 325, 338, 347, 384, 386, 392, 402, 404, 439, 441, 458, 462, 465, 481, 489.
Dated this 9th December, 1895.
VICTOR H. DEACON,
Notary Public,
Hongkong.
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1895. [2634

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 19, ALBINGIA, German str., 1,190, H. Witt, Penang, and Singapore 11th Dec., General.—CHINESE.
Dec. 19, FOYLE, British str., 1,331, Stanny, Port Wallut 16th Dec., Coal.—SHEWAN & Co.
Dec. 20, TSINAN, British str., 1,495, G. Ramsay, Kobe 11th Dec., and Fuochow 18th, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Dec. 20, MOYUNE, British str., 3,016, Kemp, Japan, via Shanghai 17th Dec., Coal.—HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Dec. 20, NAMOA, British steamer, 863, T. Hall, Swatow 19th Dec., General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Dec. 20, LENNOX, British steamer, 2,361, J. C. Williamson, R.N.R., Singapore 9th Dec., Ballast.—DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.
Dec. 20, QSCARSHAL, Norw. str., 764, Reichborn, Bangkok 9th Dec., Rice and General.—CHINESE.
Dec. 20, ELISABETH, German bark, 447, H. Kock, Taiwanfoo 18th Dec., Ballast.—GOSSALVES & Co.
Dec. 20, PORPOISE, British cr., from a cruise.
Dec. 20, SACHSEN, Ger. str., 3,132, H. Supmer, Bremerhaven 6th Nov., and Singapore 14th Dec., Mails and General.—MELCHERS & Co.

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20TH DECEMBER.

Chihli, British str., for Shanghai.
Inverlay, British str., for Kobe.
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DEPARTURES.

Dec. 20, ACTIY, Danish str., for Hoihow.
Dec. 20, ANCONA, British str., for Yokohama.
Dec. 20, COSMOPOLIT, German str., for Hoihow.
Dec. 20, FORMOSA, British str., for Swatow.
Dec. 20, ORESTES, British str., for Shanghai
Dec. 20, SHANTUNG, British str., for Java.
Dec. 20, KUNGTING, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
Dec. 20, WUHU, British str., for Nagasaki.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Tsinan*, str., from Kobe, &c.—Mrs. J. E. Rancie, and 2 children, and Mr. A. Stewart.
Per *Moyune*, str., from Japan, &c.—Messrs. Bates, Thom, and Frazer.
Per *Namoa*, str., from Swatow.—Master Hubbard.
Per *Foyle*, str., from Singapore.—Mr., Mrs., and Miss Lyndet.
Per *Sachsen*, str., from Bremerhaven, &c.—Messrs. E. Krotzschmar, G. A. Pfnetzner, H. W. Hogg, Joh. Dilger and family, Georg Ziegler and family, Albrecht Sanders, Emil Hug, T. W. Smith, W. Bergmann, W. Kendall, Misses E. Blindow and E. Loning, Dr. von Foerster, Lieut. von Foerster, Capt. A. Cohban.

DEPARTED.

Per *Ancona*, str., from Hongkong for Yokohama.—Mr. C. H. Allers. For Kobe.—Mr. H. Imagawa. For Yokohama from London.—Miss C. Jones, Miss Weston. From Brindisi.—Mr. A. Fasola, Count Telfener. From Singapore.—Mr. J. P. Savage.
Per *Formosa*, str., for Swatow.—Miss H. E. St. John, Messrs. Marshall, Cattanoo, Ogilvie. For Amoy.—Mr. Watanabe.

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MARRIAGE.

At the Union Church, Hongkong, on the 17th December, by the Rev. G. J. Williams, Capt. JOHN E. FARRELL, of the steamer *Moshaw*, second son of Capt. E. Farrell, Guernsey, to AGNES JANE PARKINGTON, eldest daughter of Thomas Wilding Parkington, Esq., Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk. [2666

DEATH.

On the 19th inst., at Dedham, Essex, ROWLAND TOWNSHEND COBBOLD, Esq., M.R.C.S., in his 75th year. [2665

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 21ST, 1895.

Now that the United States and Great Britain appear inclined quarrel it may be of some interest to briefly recapitulate what the trouble is all about. British Guiana is a colony in South America, extending from 9 deg. to 1 deg. north latitude and from 57 deg. to 62 deg. west longitude, and was ceded by the Dutch to Great Britain in 1814. It is is bounded on the West by the Republic of Venezuela. The line of demarcation between the two has never been clearly defined, a large tract of unsettled country having always been in dispute. The following concise summary of the present position is given in the last issue of the *Review of Reviews*:—

"The whole question in dispute turns round "a very narrow point—viz., whether the "debatable land between British Guiana "and Venezuela begins at the Essequibo "River or at the Schomberg line, which lies "about half-way between the Essequibo and "the Orinoco. We are willing to arbitrate "upon everything that we consider to be "fairly in dispute, but we hold that the "region between the Schomberg line and "the Essequibo River, which has never been "occupied by the Venezuelan Government, "but which we have occupied and adminis-"tered, and claimed ever since it was ceded "to us by the Dutch, cannot fairly be re-"garded as a region whose ownership can "be disputed, any more than we could dis-"pute the title of the United States to the "State of New York. On the other hand, "the American friends of Venezuela main-"tain that old maps show that Venezuela "when a Spanish colony claimed the terri-"tory up the Essequibo River, and there-"fore, they say, no matter what has hap-"pened in the last hundred years, our "colonists and administrators must be "cleared out of all territory west of that "river. Clearly, here is a question not for "one arbitration, but for two. The prior "question that has to be decided is as to "what territoty should form the subject of "arbitration. After that preliminary de-"cision has been given, then the question "so limited would come up before the Court, "which would go into the whole matter. This, "or some other solution, certainly does not "lie beyond the scope of sane statesmanship."

In addition to the dispute as to territory, however, another incident has arisen, which, in fact, has brought the whole matter to a head, namely, the seizure of certain British officers by the Venezuelans on what is claimed as British territory. The United States step in with their Monroe doctrine, which is that no European state shall acquire territory beyond what it already possesses on the American continent. England does not want to acquire new territory, but to assert her right to what is already hers and to exact reparation for the violation of her territory. The United States fully admit the right of a European power having a grievance against an American power to settle it, if necessary, by a resort to force of arms, always provided that the cession of no territory be exacted. The punishment of Venezuela would therefore not be objected to if the territorial question were not mixed up in the matter. But the Venezuelans claim that the seizure of British officers took place on Venezuelan territory and was therefore a lawful act, just as lawful as the seizure of Chinese officers violating British territory in Hongkong would be. If, then, the United States stood by while reparation for the alleged outrage was exacted by England they would admit the territorial claim of the latter up to the point at which the seizure took place and that they are not inclined to do. The attitude of the United States would not appear unreasonable if it applied to territory fairly in dispute—and Great Britain admits that there is certain territory as to the ownership of which there may be a question proper for arbitration—but the particular spot at which the seizure of British officers took place is claimed as indisputably British. As Mr. STEAD said recently, in an article in the *Westminster Gazette*:—"Considering the dis-"reputable character of the Venezuelan "Government, it seems extraordinary that "any civilized power should contemplate "such a crime as trusting a peaceable region "under the rule or government of Spanish-"American adventurers, whose only claim "to the sympathy of the United States is "that they call their anarchy a republic "and fly a flag which does not fly outside the "Western Hemisphere. We do not fear "arbitration, but, before it begins, repara-"tion must be made for the high-handed "violation of the territory governed by "England." The affair, however, was admirably adapted for the manufacture of political capital in the United States. The Republican press was crying out about the alleged weakness of President CLEVELAND in tolerating England's claim, a cry calculated to materially affect the Presidential election next year. President CLEVELAND, in the interests of his party, if not of himself, has now gone one better than his opponents and proposes that the United States should play the combined role of policeman and judge and kick England out of whatever territory the American Commissioners may decide does not belong to her. The position is unpleasant, but it is incredible that the two great Anglo-Saxon nations should go to war about such a trifle. So far as England is concerned the territory in dispute is not worth fighting for and the upshot will probably be that for the sake of peace and quietness we will consent to submit to arbitration more than we think is fairly in dispute.

Twenty Russian marines are reported to have arrived at Seoul.

The C. P. steamer *Empress of India* arrived at Vancouver on the 19th instant.

The torpedoes laid in the vicinity of the Shimoneseki Straits have been taken up.

The P. & O. steamer *Palawan* left Singapore for this port yesterday morning at 8 a.m.

The P. & O. steamer *Formosa*, from China, arrived in London on Thursday afternoon.

On Thursday night the Hongkong Chess Club played the Club Lusitano at the Hongkong Hotel. The Hongkong Chess Club won by five games to two.

There will be a children's carol service in Union Church to-morrow, commencing at 3.30 p.m. The address will be given by the Rev. G. J. Williams.

The Chinese community will hold a meeting at the Tung Wah Hospital at noon to-morrow in connection with the question of the light and pass regulations.

The P.M. steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 30th ultimo, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port yesterday morning via Nagasaki.

Yesterday evening a successful smoking concert was given in the Staff and Departmental Sergeants' Mess. Several songs were given in a creditable manner, and the evening's entertainment proved most enjoyable.

To-morrow morning, between 9 and 10.30 o'clock, the steam launch *Dayspring*, carrying the Bethel flag, will call alongside any vessel hoisting the answering pennant, to convoy men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's (Seamen's) Church, returning about 12.30.

The inquest on the body of Chan Tsau, the woman who committed suicide in a chair in Wellington Street because two Chinese detectives arrested her, was concluded at the Magistracy yesterday. The finding was as follows—"That deceased died of hemorrhage caused by wounds in the neck, and that such wounds were self inflicted."

Mr. H. Shoda, Mr. Ogawa, Captain McMillan, and other gentlemen connected with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, were to embark on the *China* on the 7th inst. at Yokohama for San Francisco on their way to Europe in connection with investigations as to the extension of the Company's service of steamers and the proposed additions to the Company's fleet.

The *Times of Ceylon* says:—Mr. Chamberlain's refusal to listen to the prayer for a reduction of the military contribution to be paid by Hongkong—recently fixed at 17 per cent. of the revenue—shows that the Treasury and the Colonial Office between them have made up their minds to screw all they can out of the Crown Colonies, and we think Ceylon is lucky—that is, on the supposition that the 7½ per cent. is all we are to be called on to pay—to have got off so well.

The *Singapore Free Press* of the 13th instant says:—Dr. Herz, of Selangor, who has been bitten on the foot by a dog that proved afterwards to be rabid, has come to Singapore and will proceed to the Pasteur Institute at Batavia, having been too late to catch the steamer for Saigon. It is quite a unique thing that two medical officers from the Native States, Drs. Braddon and Herz, should be simultaneously having recourse to the Pasteur treatment against the chance of hydrophobia.

A contemporary says:—At Cooktown, well known as the hottest place for many things in Queensland, it has been discovered that the police make a good thing out of the dead fowls in connection with the police-court work there. Chinamen are plentiful in Cooktown, as everyone knows, and the custom as to swearing Chinamen in the police court takes the common form at Cooktown of cutting off a rooster's head. Of litigation there is plenty in Cooktown, and Chinese witnesses are as thick as mosquitoes, and as it is a case of one fowl one Chinese oath, it may be easily seen that the police, who have to take away the dead birds, have a fairly good time of it, as far as poultry for their tables is concerned. They have got beyond this, however, according to one report, and now flood the market with fowls, so that the thing has got to be talked about.

It is stated in papers received by the German mail that the New York Yacht Club has decided to inquire into the charges made by Lord Dunraven in connection with the recent international contest for the America Cup and that Lord Dunraven has arranged to proceed to New York in order that a full investigation into his accusations may be made.

In Ceylon they have recently taken to stamp all official correspondence. The total throughs to reach Rs. 80,000 to Rs. 100,000 a year, and a fear is expressed that the War Office will want to claim three-fortieths of this sum in the military contribution, as no definite arrangement has been made on this point. We (*Singapore Free Press*) consider it extremely likely that the W. O. would make for that Rs. 6,000 a year, although, of course, the receipts from official postage are not in any sense revenue.

A cricket match will be played to-day between the Cricket Club and the Peak Club, commencing at eleven o'clock. The undermentioned will play for the Cricket Club:—

A. Anderson	Sir R. Arbuthnot, R.N.
G. D. Campbell, H.K.R.	Rev. G. Vallings
F. Maitland	Capt. Grafton, R.N.
Capt. Dyson, A.P.D.	B. P. Sheldon
T. S. Smith	E. Ezekiel
Capt. Baker-Carr, R.B.	

By the courtesy of Major Faithful and the officers the band of the Hongkong Regiment will play during the afternoon.

The arrangement between the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and the Osaka cotton-spinning companies with regard to the carriage of cotton from Bombay, the *Kobe Chronicle* says, came to an end last month. As the result of negotiations between the cotton spinners and the steamship company, however, the previous arrangement has been renewed for another two years at the same rate of freight. It will be remembered that the agreement was that members of the Cotton-Spinners' Association were under penalty to import all their Indian cotton by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamers at a certain fixed rate of freight.

We have received from Messrs. Watkins & Co. a pamphlet on the administration of animal extracts, issued by the Columbia Chemical Co., Washington, D.C. Cerebrine is the extract of the brain of the ox, and acts upon the brain. Similarly the extracts of other organs act upon the corresponding organs of the patient. Thus masculine is the sterilized extract of the muscular tissue of the ox and is said to contain the substance required by the muscles for their nutrition and normal action. A description of the mode of preparation is given, from which we learn that the process occupies over a year; also a lecture on animal extracts delivered at the New York Post-Graduate Medical School and Hospital.

We have received another letter from S.K. on the Light and Pass regulations in which he reaffirms that there was a scarcity of coolies to draw the fire engines on the occasion of the recent fire. In view of the emphatic denial already published, which was on the authority of the Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, there seems to be no object in continuing the discussion unless S.K. is prepared to write over his own name. Our correspondent says he is prepared to bring forward a great number of witnesses to prove his statement should the Government deem it expedient to appoint an independent committee solely consisting of the leading merchants and bankers of the colony to investigate the matter. In that case we would recommend S.K. to communicate with the Colonial Secretary and ask for the appointment of such a committee, but if the inquiry were confined to the question of the sufficiency of coolies to draw the fire engines there can be no doubt as to what the result would be. The number that S.K. deems insufficient might not be deemed insufficient by the officers of the Fire Brigade and we presume there would be official records to show the time that elapsed between the giving of the alarm and the arrival of the engines. We understand that so far from any delay being caused the engines arrived with great promptitude.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."]

LONDON, 18th December, 1895.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

The House of Representatives has passed a Bill authorising President Cleveland to appoint a Commission to delineate the frontier line between British Guiana and Venezuela, and granting $100,000 for expenses in connection therewith.

The Senate has also passed a Bill granting a credit of $100,000,000 for increasing existing armaments by a million rifles, a thousand field, and five thousand fort guns, details to be referred to a Military Commission.

CANTON NOTES.

[FROM THE "CHUNG KUOI SAN PO."]

A fire broke out on the 16th instant at 7 p.m. in Tsak-shun-lan Street in Fatshan. The fire was not got under control till 11 p.m. About eighty houses were destroyed and a good many boats lying near the shore were scorched.

The remains of the Provincial Treasurer, who died on the 17th inst. at midnight, were coffined on the 19th instant. His death was witnessed by his wife and his son, eight years of age. His place is now temporarily taken by the Provincial Judge, Chang-yan-tsun, whose office is filled by the Grain Commissioner. Viceroy Tan-chung-lun will continue to hold the two posts of Viceroy and Governor.

A military officer named Chong-yan-tsoi, son of Admiral Chong Shao-chung, committed suicide by shooting himself with a revolver a few days ago. The wound was not mortal and he speedily recovered. The reason why he wanted to take his life was that he was severely scolded by his father for being too slow in executing orders from his superiors. He has been dismissed from office.

The prices of rice, oil, and firewood are still very high. The holders disregard the notice issued by the local Magistrates the other day prohibiting the raising of the prices of the said articles.

A nun living in a nunnery in Tsun-kwai-san Street kept a maid servant, who died the other day after rather a long illness. The nun hired a coolie to carry the dead body away, but the coolie placed it inside a latrine which is not far away from the nunnery. The next morning the kaifong people were much excited when they found the dead body and on further examination they discovered that the fingers on the left hand of the corpse had been torn off. The people greatly suspected that the deceased must have been cruelly treated by someone. At last a man identified the deceased as the maid servant of the nun, who was therefore prosecuted for murdering the girl. The Namhoi Magistrate opened an enquiry and examined the fingers carefully. He discovered that the fingers had been bitten off by the rats after the corpse had been left in the place where it was deposited by the coolie.

General Liu Yung-fu has applied for three months' leave to go to his native place in Kwangsi on account of sickness.

A gun exploded in the village of Lungkong, in Sun tak district, a few days ago. Sixteen persons were severely hurt and six died instantly. The gun was fired to salute a new military Tsan-ez, who had just passed the examination for the third degree, when he went into the temple to worship his ancestors.

Some kaifong people sent the other day a petition to the Namhoi Magistrate to ask for a certain sum of money to be given to support the family of the deceased policeman who lost his life while bravely rushing forward to catch a kidnapper, as already reported. The request has been speedily complied with and the son of the deceased has been ordered to go to the Magistracy to receive the money.

An expectant Taotai who was sent to Canton by the Viceroy of Kooshow went to pay his respects to his Excellency Tan Chung-lun the other day. It is said that this officer has been ordered to go to foreign countries to induce rich Chinese merchants to build the railway from Lo-kaw bridge to Hankow.

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THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

The following are the accounts presented at the half yearly meeting of the shareholders of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha held at Tokyo on the 30th ult.:—

REVENUE.

	yen.
Receipts for the period under review	3,675,452.56
Government subsidy	440,000.00
Amount brought over from last account	198,202.91
	4,213,655.47

EXPENDITURE.

Working expenditures	3,125,531.27
Interest paid on debentures	63,900.00
Paid to reserve for depreciation in value, etc., of vessels, for insurance, and for repairs	66,392.01
	3,255,823.28
Balance (net profits)	957,832.19
This was dealt with as follows:—	
Reserve for depreciation of value of buildings	9,768.75
Reserve fund	41,301.06
Remuneration to managing directors	7,660.00
Dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum	440,000.00
Carried forward to next account	458,012.38

ACCOUNT OF CHARTERAGE OF VESSELS BY THE GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE.

	yen.
Receipts	4,628,653.74
Amount brought over from last account	1,378,373.56
	6,007,027.30

EXPENDITURE.

Expenses	1,557,994.64
Paid to reserve for depreciation in the value of vessels, insurance, and repairs	706,737.27
	2,264,731.91
Balance (net profits)	3,742,295.39
This was dealt with as follows:—	
Reserve fund	262,307.96
Special dividend (6 yen per share)	880,000.00
Remuneration to directors and auditors	58,000.00
Remuneration to employes	300,000.00
Special reserve	2,251,897.43

OUR PARIS LETTER.

PARIS, 16th November.

The good effects of Lord Salisbury's famous speech are relatively wearing away, but the chief corner stones of that important discourse remain—the united action of the six powers, and the pledge that no member of the sextuple alliance will seek any advantage for itself at the expense of Turkey. That programme, while securing great moral force for England, is accepted as the sole solution for the precarious situation of the Sultan and the prevention of the partition of his realm. But where is the triple, where the dual, alliance now? That is the puzzle for the French, who are in a curious mood—pessimist and apprehensive. They see nothing but danger ahead and the inevitable unknown.

The powerful English Ministry, and the nation united like one man behind it, make a profound impression on the French. It is not an agreeable situation for a Frenchman to feel that at any moment he may be ordered to "fall in," and to march where glory waits him. Smoking-room and arm-chair politicians have no doubt that a general war is imminent. The Bulgarians are likely to counteract all the efforts of the sextuple alliance to ward off the looming cataclysm. Their plan of campaign is becoming very clear. It may be nipped in the bud by Austria marching on to Salonica, which means the cession of Trieste to Italy. Constantinople can be declared a free city, under the guardianship of all the powers, like Brussels. That implies a free waterway from the Black Sea to the Mediterranean, just as exists between the Baltic and the German Ocean. Varna is discounted as a coaling station for England in the Black Sea. Russia will help herself to the hinterland of Asia Minor, while Germany will claim as much of Syria as France would demand. And the holy places? Who will be entrusted with the "keys"—the Latins or the Greeks—an old sore; while on the present occasion, Italy, Germany, &c., may also demand a key for the holy sepulchres.

The United States of America—so say Americans here—must have a coaling station in the Levant, and they are right to insist upon possessing such a *pied de terre*. Italy will expect Tripolitania and a few et ceteras, while England, in addition to Egypt, will insist on the possession of some strategetic islands or peninsulas, and as usual will commence when the *débâcle* sets in by helping herself. That's the work, *vraisemblable*, if not exact—only the war can show the takes—blocked out by cool observers. Can a congress do anything? Next to nothing, because France will not renounce her grip on Tunisia, England upon Egypt, nor Russia dismantle Batoum and re-make it a treaty free port. And the existing treaties? About as valuable as prize essays. Force and wealth are the Archimedean screws and levers that rule the world; all else is but leather and prunello.

The Bourgeois Cabinet, that its defeated adversaries predicted would only endure the length of a November sunset, continues to keep the even tenour of its way. It looks as if it "came to stay." It has not the slightest intention of turning the world in general, and France in particular, upside down. The ministers are very earnest, very courageous, and very resolved. They are knocking the fee-fo-fum element out of postponed reforms that their predecessors had not the grit nor the audacity to bring to the front, and that the nation has made up its mind to have voted. The Bourgeois Ministry, no matter whether labelled radical or extremist, is eminently reactionist, because kicking against the policy of doing nothing of preceding cabinets, of keeping ameliorations in the Greek Kalends section of their programmes, and, instead of marching on, with or without political hallelujahs, merely executed capers before the political groundlings. Then the new cabinet becoming every day older is thoroughly in earnest in the cleansing of Augean stables, and in the removal of functionaries, the tritons, not the minnows. "Strike at the head" was Cæsar's. "Rome expects every man will do his duty"—whose speciality was the purest mandarinism. Even M. Berthelot, whom the *mot d'ordre* was to pooh! pooh! is now admitted to have common sense and to be brainy, although only a renowned chemist. The ablest of living statesmen—I mean Lord Salisbury—is, too, a chemist. Both are also distinguished in the manipulation of the political searchlight.

Vale! Marquis de Nayve. His second trial—for assault and battery upon his wife and two sons, and apparently all who came within his reach, his mother-in-law included, and for which spectators mentally accorded him extenuating circumstances—has terminated in a fine of 200 francs and six months' imprisonment. But he has already purged the latter by his preventive arrest extending over sixteen months. He was at once liberated, and his first act was to order a Pantagruelian dinner for himself and sons. The public received him in solemn silence, save the women, who made the sign of the cross as he approached. The Tribunal Correctionnel of St. Amand, the local superior Police Court, decided that the Marquis had a violent temper, approaching to ferocity; that he ill-treated his own mother—an unpardonable offence in the eyes of God and men—and spat in the face of the Marchioness his wife. But he was only found guilty upon two counts—striking his son's fingers with a ruler, as if a Kurd played the devil's tatoo on the stomach of an Armenian or a reforming Softa; and next on one occasion, after emerging from the church, giving his wife a pair of lovely black eyes before she could ejaculate a "Good Lord deliver us!"

In the two trials there was no moral question to be studied. The family circle and surroundings of the Marquis had not even what chemists would describe as a "trace" of that commodity. The sons, aged 16 and 18, who wrote and spoke black and white, as circumstances suited, claimed "the right to lie;" their mother was concrete untruthfulness, and papa denies having murdered his bastard stepson. The mother lies, to secure her husband being guillotined, wherein she was aided by the abominable Abbé Rousselot, whom, if the Marquis ever encounters him near the Fusarella precipice on the Bay of Naples, he will hurl down among the dead men or boys; the sons in public court brand their mother with the greatest ignominy that can be inflicted on woman, and then they all go to their family hotel and dine merrily together. The jury of Bourges that acquitted the Marquis of precipitating the bastard stepson into the Bay of Naples were mostly well-to-do peasants. The foreman wore a blouse; another member a carrier's smock; but a man's a man for a' that, though wearing hoddin grey. The jury viewed the case as "not proven." One member—a philosopher, perhaps a bucolic "soul doctor," and as good, likely, as any of his Parisian confrères—expressed himself in private that the Marquis could claim to be a saviour of society. In "removing"—supposing he did so—the lad he punished bastardly, and secured the 60,000 frs. and lands, left to the victim by his grandfather, for his own legitimate offspring; thus showing he was a good paterfamilias. We have not yet arrived at the epilogue of this celebrated affair; the sons have applied for permission to change their name, as they are studying for the army. The Marchioness has applied for a separation, and will obtain it, as the husband has been condemned for ill-using her—she tried only to have him guillotined; her fortune for which he wed her in exchange for his title—he was penniless—will all revert to her; hence, why the Marquis has come to Paris to seek employment as a coach in mathematics or as assistant in a chemical laboratory, but resolved to avoid "prestigitates."

The 100 million frs. for the 1900 Exhibition have been secured:—20 guaranteed by the Municipality, 20 by the State, and 60 taken up by the public. The legislature has only to pass the agreement *nem. con.*, when the works can be proceeded with, political wind and weather permitting. The Abbé Charbonnel energetically pursues his campaign for holding a parliament of religions in 1900, to sow the germs of a *rapprochement* of consciences. He is opposed tooth and nail by the Cardinal Archbishop of Paris, who has left for Rome to secure the disapproval of the Pope and put an extinguisher upon the movement. The abbé declares he will resist, not as a *révolté*, but in the name of liberty. Many prelates and members of the clergy are in favour of the parliament—till His Holiness speaks. The Calvinist and Israelitish Churches applaud the idea, and such "lay cardinals" as Jules Simon, &c., have given it their benediction, on condition that no dogmas or the metaphysics of religion be touched upon. The parliamentary system is unpopular in France; still Parisians do not object to one more—it will have the redeeming feature of being a novelty. The materialists and atheists will also hold an anti-religious parliament. General Booth had better have an extra *corps d'armée* ready.

It is reported that this month will be remarkable for shooting stars; it is to be hoped they will have no relationships with the two Eastern questions, because the stars and aerolites are the débris of extinct glories. Shooting stars are merely scraps of comets' tails; but meteorites are celestial boulders, with red-hot calcined surfaces that would crack one's skull as effectually as was that of Æschylos when the eagle dropped the tortoise on his bald pate—there were no hair restorers then—mistaking it for a stone. When a planet or a satellite breaks up, its chips race about in space, till the sun or our earth attracts them. The big devouring the little, as ever. Our planet then, isolated though it be in space, receives visits, but does not return them. The wandering stars send us their cards in the form of golden showers. We receive samples of old comets and specimens of played out worlds, and this exchange of politeness will continue till the fragmentation of our earth ceases. By then the question of bloated armaments will be settled.

A war now rages between the single and married needlewomen. Employers lean to give work to wives with families, while the single woman insists upon the right to obtain work to live. She has the advantage over her wedded sister, in being able to work in a factory or from home. M. Honoré, the director of the Louvre Magasins, says that the painful distress among needlewomen is due to the substitution of machines for hand labour, to intermediaries that cannot be wholly dispensed with, and to the uniform cry or passion of purchasers for cheap goods. In these questions neither the Government nor the municipal council can change anything.

The Carmaux strike of glass makers, now of seven months' standing has received an unexpected but happy solution. A lady has presented 100,000fr., for M. Rochefort to see expended, in the opening of a factory, to be organized and worked by the 600 hands on strike. If the idea or fashion extended for the wealthy to aid the working classes with capital to non-co-operative factions, that would help to solve the antagonism between capital and labour, practically.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

Electricity is growing in importance to therapeutics. Speaking of this to the National Society of Electro-Therapeutists, Dr. Wm. L. Jackson said that even the physical properties of electricity, as light and heat, are now of assistance. Its light enables the medical man to obtain a better knowledge of the internal organs and parts and of the treatment required. The electric light has been found to stimulate the growth and improve the condition of plants; recent experiments have shown that the electric light bath may have the same effect upon animal life. In diseases of the nervous system electricity finds one of its most useful spheres of influence. Not only is it valuable in determining the site of disease, but it gives most healthful aid in neuralgic affections and paralysis. Above all, it is one of the safest and best general tonics at command.

When tollurium and aluminum are melted together in certain proportions they suddenly combine with a loud explosion, forming a very brittle and remarkable alloy. If this substance is dropped into water it emits a peculiar odour that is one of the most offensive known—worse even than that of sulphuretted hydrogen. Chemists have been led to suspect that tollurium is not an element, but a compound of several unknown elements, and have been making efforts to break it up.

The method by which hydrogen was liquefied has been applied by Prof. Olszowski, of Krakau, to helium without result. The density of helium being about twice that of hydrogen, it is a striking fact that its liquefying point should be below that of hydrogen. Argon, however, had been found to liquefy at a lower temperature than oxygen, although it has a higher density, and this was supposed to be connected with the simple molecular constitution of the new gas.

The red and black colorations of snow are usually ascribed to a minute alga (*Protococcus nivalis*), which turns from red to black in the course of its growth. Tiny red insects, however, have been observed on the snow in such numbers as to give a coloured spot, as in the experience of an excursion party to the Great St. Bernard in 1893, when a distinct rose-red spot was found to consist of microscopic jumping creatures, which in places formed a mass an inch thick. It now appears, therefore, that the coloration of snow is chiefly due to the lower vegetation, but that the insects—which probably feed on the protococcus—may under some circumstances contribute by their number to form coloured spots.

The mother of pearl industry of West Australia centres at Broome, the shells being collected along several hundred miles of the coast. The diving apparatus in use enables the divers, working from small vessels, to bring up the shells from depths as great as 120 feet. It is estimated that over 1,000 men are employed in the industry, the value of the shell produced being more than $500,000 annually. A nursery for the artificial cultivation and breeding of the mother of pearl oyster has been established under the direction of Mr Savile Kent, but has not yet passed beyond the experimental stage.

The deepest spot yet known in the ocean has been reported by Admiral W. J. L. Wharton as having been found by the British surveying ship *Penguin*. The place is in the Pacific, in lat. 23 deg. 40 min. S. and long. 175 deg. 10 min. W., and the wire broke at 4,900 fathoms, the bottom not having been reached. The deepest previous sounding was one of 4,655 fathoms near Japan.

A hospital superintendent says that a healthy baby should cry at least three or four times a day, and from 10 to 15 minutes at a time. Crying, in the opinion of medical authorities, is the chief and best exercise for young children.

One of the most singular trees in existence grows in the Cape Negro country in Africa. Its stem is 4 feet across and but a foot high, while its two leaves are 6 or 8 feet long and split up into ribbons by the wind. It lives perhaps a century, yet never exceeds about a foot in height, but slowly expands until it looks like a stool from 10 to 18 feet in circumference. When tossed about by the wind, it is strangely like a gigantic spider. It is known to the natives, in fact, as a plant that is part spider, and stories of the struggles of this spider excited the curiosity of Europeans before the discovery of the tree by Dr. Welavitsch.

Storage batteries for propelling vessels would weigh according to the estimate of Prof. Durand, about 500 times as much as the equivalent in coal, and occupy about 220 times the space.

The Androscoggin River of Maine has its source in a region of lake and forest that is the sportsman's paradise. The river itself is not without interest to dwellers in the Eastern States, as in its length of 160 miles it has a descent of 1,250 feet, with a mean discharge of 15,000,000 cubic feet per hour. A few manufacturing centres have been established along its course, that at Lewiston and Auburn claiming a population of about 40,000, while that formed during the last two or three years at Rumford has the advantage of a fall of the river of about 150 feet. A system of lake storage keeps back a reserve of 30,000,000,000 cubic feet of water for use in dry seasons, the effect of this during the drought of the present year having been striking. But thus far the waterfalls along the river are largely undeveloped, and the recent success of such plants as that at Niagara Falls has drawn attention to the industrial value of steep and steady rivers with such suddenness that quite a flurry of local excitement has resulted, with the prospect that many thousand horse power will be put to use during the next few months. Companies have been securing "shore rights" with speculative celerity, and several large dams are to be built at once within ten miles above Lewiston. A large part of the power will doubtless be made use of electrically, and an electric railroad of 145 miles to Boston is even projected, but it is probable that the factories that will rapidly cluster about the cheap power will consume the chief output of the dynamos.

High pressure and superheated steam have been used in removing a tumour from the spleen. Not only were the tissues rendered dry or bloodless by the jet, but the bleeding of an artery was checked.

One of the great catastrophes of the century in the Swiss Alps was the ice avalanche of the Gemmi Pass, which occurred about 5 o'clock on the morning of 11th September, and had but one spectator—a waitress in the Schwarenbach Inn. A suspended glacier on the Altels Mountain became detached at an altitude of about 10,500 feet, swept down the steep, smooth limestone rock to a vertical depth of 4,600 feet, was thrown up 1,300 feet to the summit level of the opposite mountain ridge, and, rebounding, fell in a fan shape on the fertile pasture known as the Spitalmatte, spreading 4,000,000 tons of rock and ice over nearly a square mile to an average depth of nearly six feet. The lives of six men and over 150 cattle were lost. This disaster, it has been found, was exceeded by the rock fall of Elm (in the Glarus Alps), which occurred 11th September, 1881, and caused the loss of 114 lives and 79 buildings, the volume of debris being about double that of the Altels ice avalanche.

SKIRMISHES IN FORMOSA.

Tokyo, 2nd December.

A dispatch from the Governor of Formosa, dated 27th ult., states that on 22nd ult. a small band of soldiers were ordered to the vicinity of Taibyo, where mobs were reported to be gathering. When they reached the place the soldiers were surrounded by about a thousand natives, and desperate fighting occurred, the insurgents at last being dispersed. Sixty rebels were killed, but only one Japanese.

On the 24th ult. Yamaguchi's detachment left Hosan to subdue some rioting along the course of the Tamsui river. They encountered stubborn resistance near To-ko-ka, and in the fighting two or three hundred insurgents were killed, the loss on the Japanese side being small. The list of wounded, however, includes Lieutenant Kusakari and 32 soldiers. Later in the day a reconnoitring party was attacked by the natives, with similar results, fifty of the enemy being killed and only three Japanese.

JAPANESE MERCHANTS AND DIRECT FOREIGN TRADE.

At the suggestion of the Department for Agriculture and Commerce the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce has been holding an investigation into the prospects of direct export and import by Japanese merchants. The result of an examination by the committee appointed has now been reported to the Chamber of Commerce, and will be forthwith communicated to the Department. The causes that impede the development of direct foreign trade are enumerated as follows:—

(1) Imperfection of the credit system; (2) the high rates of interest in Japan as compared with those ruling in the West; (3) the ignorance of the Japanese merchants engaged in direct trade as to the condition of commerce abroad; (4) want of uniformity in the quality of Japanese manufactures and frequent deterioration of manufacturing processes.

Recommendations were drawn up as to the means of removing these impediments. In the first place the Chamber urges that the Consulates abroad should be increased and more care exercised in the appointment of Consuls; secondly, that banking facilities should be increased; (3) Japanese merchants should improve their knowledge of the conditions of trade abroad; (4) the Customs accommodation should be increased; (5) foreign purchases by the Government should be made through Japanese merchants, and the official procedure should be simplified; (6) the extension of the mercantile marine; (7) trade exhibitions; (8) the adoption of measures to prevent bad work being put on the market.

The confession involved in the conclusions and recommendations is somewhat noteworthy.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

KOREAN INDEPENDENCE.

It is significant to read that Count Inouye realises the extreme difficulty presented by an independent Korea. According to the brief account of an interview which appears in one of the Japanese papers, the Count says that Korea possesses absolutely no self-reliance to enable her to stand alone, and continually looks to one or the other power for assistance or protection. This is an admission that the policy of Japan—which was avowedly directed throughout to securing the independence of Korea—has failed completely, so that the Japanese are in the position of having pulled down what neither they nor any other power can at present build up. Count Inouye suggests that the peninsular kingdom should be placed under the joint protection of the powers—a conclusion to which many observers in the Far East are being forced, though the practical working out of such a scheme presents enormous difficulties. If the Powers are to protect, some responsibility is cast upon them as regards the administration and government of the country, and it is quite conceivable that the settlement of such questions would prove as great a nuisance to the peace of the Far East as if Korea were left to her own devices. It seems clear, however, that Korea cannot be left to herself, or the country will prove a continued source of danger in consequence of repeated faction intrigues and palace disorders. The remedy is difficult to find; but it is something that a statesman of the experience of Count Inouye should suggest a joint protectorate by the powers, as it is at least an earnest that Japan has prudently abandoned all designs of extension in this direction.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

THE THEATRICAL TRAGEDY IN SYDNEY.

DETAILS OF THE DACRE MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Below we give a summarised account of the Dacre tragedy taken from the *Sydney Daily Telegraph* of the 18th November:—

One of the most shocking tragedies that have occurred in Sydney for some time took place yesterday afternoon at No. 129, Macquarie Street, which is occupied by Mrs. S. A. Hinton, and is known as one of the most fashionable boarding houses in Sydney. Mr. Arthur Dacre, an English actor of considerable repute, shot his wife, a fine actress, whose stage name was Miss Amy Rosello, dead, and cut his throat in a most determined manner. As far as is at present known, the only motive that can be assigned for the terrible deed was the want of success that has attended their professional performances ever since they came to the colony. They had been staying at Mrs. Hinton's place for about two months, almost ever since they returned from their New Zealand tour, and did not seem to be in anything like financial straits, as they had paid for everything they received, but Mr Dacre has been heard occasionally to speak bitterly of the smallness of the support the public had given him in all his Australian ventures.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Dacre were much liked in the house, as their manners and behaviour towards their fellow-boarders were invariably courteous; in fact, they were an extremely well-bred couple, and seemed devoted to each other. Both of them had been unwell for some days past, and unable to attend rehearsal. It was noticed that on Saturday Mrs. Dacre looked very pale indeed; but her husband played his part in "The Land of the Moa" at the Theatre Royal, and it was remarked by other ladies and gentlemen in the company that he never performed it better. When leaving the theatre they informed the manager that they expected to be quite well enough to play in "The Silence of Dean Maitland," which was to have been staged for the first time to-night.

The last person to see Mr. and Mrs. Dacre alive was the former's dresser. He first called on them yesterday afternoon, and then Mr. Dacre was engaged in letter writer. Having finished his letters, M

he bullet wounds, I am of opinion that death must have been instantaneous. From the position and appearance of the body I should think the lady was lying asleep when she was shot. There was certainly nothing to suggest to me that she was a consenting party to the tragedy. The gentleman had cut his own throat with a razor. There was a deep wound on the left side of the neck, severing the carotid artery, and death must have ensued very shortly after it was inflicted. There had been a great flow of blood, for it was in pools in various parts of the room, showing that after cutting his throat he must have moved about. Evidently he had wounded himself over the wash-hand basin, as it contained a quantity of blood, and also the razor which he had used."

LATEST NEWS.—THE INQUEST.

Sydney, 19th November.

The question is now being actively canvassed as to whether Mrs. Dacre was a consenting party to her murder. Dr. Fiaschi gives the emphatic opinion that Mrs. Dacre was sleeping when the shot was fired. It appears that Arthur Dacre was probably troubled mentally over business matters. Miss Mabel Hardy, who is now in Melbourne and who came to Australia under the chaperonage of Mr. and Mrs. Dacre, is deeply distressed. Dacre, she says, appeared to her to be very eccentric of late.

London, 20th November.

The inquest on the bodies of Arthur and Amy James (otherwise Mr. and Mrs. Dacre) was held yesterday. Herbert Leighton said that on one occasion, when he was going out for a walk with Dacre, Mrs. Dacre remarked "For God's sake Leighton, don't leave him. I trust to you to bring him back." The jury after a short deliberation returned a verdict that Mrs. James died from wounds wilfully inflicted by her husband, who afterwards committed suicide. The remains of the Dacres were interred at Waverley cemetery in the afternoon. Nearly all the members of the theatrical profession of Sydney and thousands of the general public attended.

NEWS VIA AUSTRALIA.

THE DACRE TRAGEDY.

London, 18th November.

The news of the sad tragedy in Sydney, resulting in the death of Mr. Arthur Dacre and his wife, Miss Amy Roselle, has created a profound sensation in the London theatrical world.

The London *Times* and the *Daily Telegraph* both publish feeling references to the two gifted artists, whose untimely death they deeply lament.

THE MUNICIPAL TROUBLE IN VIENNA.

London, 18th November.

The resentment of the Austrian populace in consequence of the action of the Government in ordering the dissolution of the Town Council upon the second return of Dr. Lueger, the anti-Semite leader, as Mayor of Vienna, has been displayed in a pronounced form in the Reichsrath. The assembling of the Reichsrath was the occasion of the most turbulent scenes in the public galleries, which were crowded with the supporters of the anti-Semite movement. Hearty cheers were given for Dr. Lueger, while defamatory language was directed at the Jewish members of the House, the disturbance being so great that the Ministry were compelled to temporarily retire.

ITALIAN EMIGRANT SHIP ASHORE.

London, 19th November.

The ship *Solferino* bound for Argentina with one thousand Italian emigrants has gone ashore at Couta. Twenty of the people lost their lives.

ELECTRIC CAR ACCIDENT IN THE UNITED STATES.

London, 19th November.

When crossing a drawbridge in Cleveland, Ohio, an electric car struck the closed gates and fell into the river one hundred feet below. Twenty of the passengers were drowned.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The *Sachsen*, with the German mail of the 18th November, arrived yesterday. The following telegrams are from the *Times of Ceylon*:—

A CLAN STEAMER RUNS AGROUND IN THE INDIAN OCEAN.

London, 2nd December.

A telegram received from Zanzibar states that the steamer *Clan Graham* ran ashore on Cosmo Lede Island, but is seemingly undamaged.

THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

Washington, 2nd December.

The United States Congress met to-day, when Mr. Reed (Republican) was elected Speaker by an increased majority.

THE OPENING OF THE GERMAN REICHSTAG.

Berlin, 3rd December.

The Reichstag was opened to-day. The Emperor William in his speech from the Throne said that the foreign relations of Germany continue to be friendly. The efforts of Germany, Russia, and France to avert further complications arising from the war between China and Japan had been successful, thanks to the judicious moderation shown by Japan. The result, His Majesty said, would contribute to preserve and enlarge the field of peaceful labour for Germany's industry and trade. The situation arising from the deplorable events in Turkey had occupied the serious attention of Germany, who, faithful to her alliances and principles of German policy, was ever ready to co-operate with the Powers, whose interests require them to work in the cause of peace. The united resolution of the Powers to respect treaties, and support the Sultan's Government in establishing an ordered state of things, justifies the hope that their efforts will not want success.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO THE U.S. CONGRESS.

Washington, 3rd December.

President Cleveland, in his message to Congress, states that Great Britain has not yet replied to the American Note of July last protesting against the enlargements of British Guiana contrary to the rights and will of Venezuela, and proposing arbitration. Referring to Armenia, he hopes that the prompt and effective action of the Powers will not be delayed. The President then goes on to say that the country is financially ill, and will require heroic treatment. He deprecates free coinage under the guise of bimetallism. In conclusion, he urges the necessity for maintaining neutrality in the Cuban question.

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE IN COUNT CRISPI'S MINISTRY.

Rome, 3rd December.

After several days' debate, confidence in Signor Crispi's Cabinet was voted by a majority of one hundred and thirty-six.

TRADE DISPUTES AND PUBLIC COMPANY LEGISLATION.

London, 4th December.

Mr. C. T. Ritchie, speaking at Croydon last night, said he expected there would be a speedy end to the Clyde dispute, and it was proposed to introduce a Bill for a quicker and more effectual settlement of such disputes. He also stated that it was hoped Government would turn their attention to an amendment of the Company Law Act.

ARMENIAN MOVEMENT IN SOUTH RUSSIA AGAINST TURKEY.

St. Petersburg, 4th December.

Emissaries of the Armenian Committee have appeared in South Russia, and are seeking to excite the Armenians to join the movement against the Turks. The Russian Government are repressing the Propaganda.

THE ASHANTEE EXPEDITION.

London, 5th December.

Her Majesty's ships *Racoon*, *Sparrow*, and *Magpie* have arrived at Acorn in readiness to support the Ashantee Expedition.

THE NEW TURKISH AMBASSADOR IN LONDON.

London, 5th December.

Costaki Pacha has been appointed to succeed Rustem Pacha as Turkish Ambassador in London.

LORD ROBERTS ON GREAT BRITAIN'S POSITION IN THE EAST.

London, 5th December.

Lord Roberts, speaking at a lecture on the Eastern Question, at Dublin, said he rejoiced at the recognition of the fact that England occupied a continental position in the East, where her interests must be protected by continental means of defence. The policy of disregarding events beyond the North-west frontier of India was, he said, inapplicable to the present conditions of the British occupation.

"If the blood is diseased the body is diseased."—Remember that the blood, whether pure or impure, circulates through the organs of the human body—Lungs, Heart, Stomach, Kidneys, Brain. If it is laden with poisonous matter it spreads disease on its course. In cases of Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds the effects of Clarke's Blood Mixture are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold everywhere at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Foyle*, from Port Wallut 16th Dec., had fresh N.E. wind and head sea.

The British steamer *Albingia*, from Penang and Singapore 11th December, had strong N.E. monsoon.

The British steamer *Benmex*, from Singapore 9th Dec., had strong monsoon and high confused sea throughout.

The Norwegian steamer *Oscarshal*, from Bangkok 9th Dec., had stormy N.E. and N.N.E. heavy sea from Pulo Obi to port.

The British steamer *Moyune*, from Japan via Shanghai 17th Dec., had clear, fine weather and fresh to moderate breeze from N. and N.W.

The British steamer *Namoa*, from Swatow 19th Dec., had light N.E. wind and fine pleasant weather throughout. In Swatow—Strs. *Choysang*, *Chunshan*, *Singan*, and *Newchwang*.

The British steamer *Tsinan*, from Moji 11th Dec., and Foochow 18th, had moderate to strong gale from N.W., with high sea to Foochow. From Foochow to port moderate to fresh N.E. wind and fine weather.

FOOCHOW SHIPPING.

December— ARRIVALS.

6, Doyo Maru, Japanese str., from Formosa.
8, Monmouthshire, Brit. str., from Shanghai.
11, Namoa, British str., from Hongkong.
11, Caroline, British cruiser, from Japan.
12, Malacca, British str., from Shanghai.
12, Clara, German str., from Amoy.

December DEPARTURES.

7, Doyo Maru, Japanese str., for Formosa.
8, Yiksang, British str., for Shanghai.
9, Haeshin, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
11, Monmouthshire, British str., for N. York.
13, Caroline, British cruiser, for Hongkong.
13, Namoa, British str., for Hongkong.
14, Malacca, British str., for London.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

FRIDAY, 20th December.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

EXCHANGE

ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/1½
Bank Bills, on demand	2/1½
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/1½
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/2½
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/2½
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	2.69
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2.75
ON GERMANY.—	
On demand	2.18
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	52½
Credits, 60 days' sight	53½
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	18½
Bank, on demand	18½
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	18½
Bank, on demand	18½
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, at sight	72½
Private, 30 days' sight	73½
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
On demand	par.
ON MANILA.—	
On demand	7 % pm.
ON SINGAPORE.—	
On demand	par.
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	—
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	48

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Banks—		[sellers
Hongkong & S'hai	$125	183 p. ct. prem
China & Japan, prf.	...	nominal
Do. ordinary	£1	nominal
Do. deferred	£1	£2, buyers
—Natl. Bank of China		
B. Shares	£3	$28
Foun. Shares	£1	$105, sellers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	10s.	$10, sellers
Brown & Co., H. G.	$50	$7, sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co.	$10	$3, buyers
Carmichael & Co.	$20	$10, sellers
China Sugar	$100	$114
Chinese Loan '86 E.	Tls. 250	10 p. ct. prem.
Dakin, Cruicks'k & Co.	$5	$1
Dairy Farm Co.	$10	$10
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	$25	$20, buyers
Green Island Cement	$50	$16½
H. Brick and Cement	$12½	$7
H. & C. Bakery	$50	$36
Hongkong & C. Gas	£10	$100, buyers
Hongkong Electric	$8	$6½, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	$100	$90
Hongkong Hotel	$50	$20, sellers
Hongkong Ice	$25	$95, sales
H. & K. Wharf & G.	$50	$48½, buyers
Hongkong Rope	$50	$150, sellers
H. & W. Dock	$125	147 p. ct. prem.
Insurances—		
Canton	$50	$195
China Fire	$20	$87, buyers
China Traders'	$25	$74, sales
Hongkong Fire	$50	$262½, sellers
North-China	£25	Tls. 225, sellers
Sumits	$20	$25, sales & sellers
Union	$25	$197½
Yangtsze	$50	$121, sales
Land and Building—		
H. Land Investment	$50	$69, sales
Humphreys Estate	$10	$9½, sales & buyers
Kowloon Land & B.	$30	$16½, sales
West Point Building	$40	$19½, sales
Luzon Sugar	$100	$60, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fcs. 500	$75
Jelebu	$5	$2.75, buyers
New Balmoral	$5	$2.25, sellers
Punjom	$4	$3½, sellers
Do. (Preference)	$1	$1.70, sales
Rauts	13s. 10d.	$3.85, sales & buyers
Steamship Coys.—		
China and Manila	$50	$71, sellers
China Shippers	£5	£2.10
Douglas S. S. Co.	$50	$52, buyers
H., Canton and M.	$20	$37½, sales
Indo-China S. N.	£10	$58, buyers
Wanchai Wrch'se Co.	$37½	$42, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	$10	$12, sellers

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Per American 4 m/s *W. H. Talbot*, sailed on the 6th December:—For San Francisco—100 bales cinnamon, 50 boxes Saigon cassia, 30 bales broken cassia, 1,210 cases soy, 759 boxes tea, 29 rolls matting, 270 packages rattan, 1,182 boxes nut oil, 2,382 boxes samshoo, 238 boxes joss sticks, 196 boxes tobacco, 23 boxes earthenware, 102 boxes vermicelli, 791 boxes flour, 220 boxes sugar, 115 boxes sago flour, 140 bags beans, 65 packages rattancore, 128 packages fire crackers, 186 boxes chinaware, 200 bags rice, 4 packages fireworks, and 9,154 packages merchandise.

Per steamer *Monmouthshire*, sailed on the 17th December:—For New York—2,084 rolls matting, 44 bales rattancore, 101 cases chinaware, 10 cases bristles, 12 cases blackwoodware, 24 cases essential oil, and 502 packages merchandise.

Per P. & O. steamer *Malacca*, sailed on the 19th December:—For Buenos Ayres—700 packages tea. For Manchester—200 bales waste silk and 1 roll matting. For London—3,500 bales hemp from Manila, 59 packages mineral oil from Manila, 3 cases cigars from Manila, 260 bales waste silk, 4 cases silk piece goods, 250 bales canes, 20 cases bristles, 300 casks preserves, 13 cases cigars, 21 packages matting, 11 packages sundries, 63,651 lbs. congou, and 25,449 lbs. scented caper.

Per P. & O. steamer *Rohilla*, sailed on the 19th December:—For London—20 cases bristles, 22 bales waste silk, 16 cases silk piece goods, and 1 case silk piece goods. For France—363 bales raw silk, 10 bales waste silk, and 15 packages hair.

OPIUM.

		allowance	cnty
New Malwa	$720	—	— 14
Old Malwa, 4/5 years	$730	6 taels	to 1
Old Malwa 6/8 do	$740	8 taels	to 1
Patna (New)	$762½		
Patna (Old)	—		
Benares (New)	$757½		
Benares (Old)	$762½		

THE WEATHER.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date, at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.16	30.21	30.09
Temperature	62	66	67
Humidity	68	55	61
Direction of wind	E.	S.S.E.	W.
Force	3	2	1
Weather	b.	b.	b.
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 19th 68
Lowest open air temperature on the 19th 56

F. G. FIGG, First Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, 20th December, 1895.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER, 19TH DECEMBER, AT 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.11	10	—	NNW	1	c	...
Tokyo	30.16	—	—	NW	1	—	...
Nagasaki	30.35	51	56	—	0	c	...
Shanghai	30.18	51	49	S	3	c	...
Sharp Peak	30.21	59	73	ESE	3	b	...
Amoy	30.16	63	82	SE	2	b	...
Swatow	30.15	64	—	ESE	2	b	...
Canton	30.16	66	39	SE	1	c	...
Hongkong	30.16	62	58	E	3	b	...
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	E	4	—	...
Gap Rock	30.15	—	—	ENE	4	—	...
Macao	30.15	65	65	ESE	1	c	...
Pakhoi	30.07	65	—	ESE	3	b	...
Haiphong	30.10	66	64	—	0	c	...
Bolinao	29.89	80	70	N	2	c	...
Manila	29.92	82	63	NE	1	c	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	SSW	2	f	...
20TH DECEMBER, AT 10 A.M.							
Wladivostock	30.17	2	80	NNE	2	b	...
Tokyo	30.12	—	—	—	0	—	...
Nagasaki	30.18	48	92	N	2	or	...
Shanghai	30.18	45	88	W	2	c	...
Sharp Peak	30.20	59	76	NW	1	b	...
Amoy	30.20	55	74	WSW	2	h	...
Swatow	30.21	63	—	W	1	bm	...
Canton	30.24	59	76	—	0	cf	...
Hongkong	30.21	65	55	ESE	2	b	...
Victoria Peak	—	—	—	ENE	4	—	...
Gap Rock	30.20	—	—	ENE	4	—	...
Macao	30.22	68	51	NNW	1	c	...
Pakhoi	—	—	—	—	—	—	...
Haiphong	30.11	63	77	ENE	1	c	...
Bolinao	29.93	77	77	ESE	1	b	...
Manila	30.00	81	62	NE	1	c	...
Cape S. James	—	—	—	N	2	or	...

On the 20th at 11.10 a.m. Forecast:—Barometer falling; moderate N.E. to E. winds; fine.

MESSRS. FALCONER & Co.'s REGISTER, Dec. 20th.

Barometer 9 A.M.	30.12	Therm. 9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	67
Barometer 1 P.M.	30.04	Therm. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	61
Barometer 4 P.M.	30.00	Therm. 4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	61
Thermom. 9 A.M.	64	Therm. Maximum	68
Thermom. 1 P.M.	68	Therm. Minimum (over night)	60
Thermom. 4 P.M.	63		

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

21st to 27th December.

	Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
			h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
Sat.	21		2 11 a	2 1	m 5 46	-1 0
			11 19 a	4 9	6 44 a	1 11
Sun.	22		2 53 a	2 3	m 7 23	-0 3
			11 55 a	4 1	5 38 a	2 1
Mon.	23		m 3 36 a	2 6	m 7 50	-0 4
					6 41 a	2 3
Tues.	24		m 0 38	3 7	m 8 34	0 0
			4 14 a	2 10	8 32 a	2 2
Wed.	25		m 1 30	2 11	m 9 10	0 4
			4 46 a	3 1	10 56 a	1 10
Thur.	26		m 2 10	2 4	m 9 46	0 8
			5 12 a	3 7		
Fri.	27		m 5 2	1 11	m 0 6	1 2
			5 35 a	4 1	m 10 25	0 11

The height of mean sea-level has been determined, from the tidal observations of 1887 and 1888, as 5.57 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Kowloon Tidal Observatory; and the Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are referred, as 3.57 feet above zero. The heights in the Tables marked with a minus sign (—) are below Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and should be subtracted from the constant given above.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 24th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst. at 3 o'clock p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 o'clock p.m. TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1895. [2627

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "GLAMORGANSHIRE," FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON, AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th instant will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th inst., or they will be not recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1895. [2551

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GERDA,"

Captain J. Ehlers, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M. TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSEN & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong 14th December, 1895. [2618

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"KAISAR-I-HIND," FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO, AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

This vessel brings on cargo:—

From London, &c., ex s.s. *Parramatta*.

From Calcutta ex s.s. *Pekin* and *Nubia*.

From Persian Gulf ex s.s. *Mallanudi* and *Sinda*.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same given to the undersigned on or before the 25th inst., after which no claims will be recognised.

ALF. WOOLLEY,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1895. [1

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUTSANG"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 20th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [2649

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON, AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENESK"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 25th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 1st prox., otherwise they will not be recognised.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2656

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"ORESTES"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 20th inst.

Goods undelivered after the 26th inst. will be subject to Rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 a.m. on the 27th inst.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2637

NORTH FORMOSA.

FOR SALE—A MAP of NORTH FORMOSA, by J. W. PATERSSON, I. M. Customs Service. NEW EDITION. Coloured. Price, $2.00. To be had at *Daily Press* Office and the Booksellers.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1890. [1448

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TSINAN,"

Captain Geo. Ramsay, will be despatched TO-DAY, the 21st inst., at NOON.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [2604

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"SACHSEN,"

Captain H. Supmer, will leave for the above place TO-DAY, the 21st inst., at NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [7

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE, AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA)

THE Company's Steamship

"HOHENZOLLERN,"

Captain P. Wettin, will leave for the above ports TO-DAY, the 21st inst., at NOON.

Return Tickets will be granted available also for Return Voyage by the Steamers of the NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [7

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"CHIHLI,"

Captain Anderson, will be despatched TO-DAY, the 21st instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2657

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMOA,"

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 22nd inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [2669

FOR SHANGHAI, JINSIN, AND NAGASAKI.

THE Company's Steamship

"YAMASHIRO MARU,"

Captain J. B. Macmillan, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 22nd inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [2658

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON $400.

Excellent accommodation. First class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK $350.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA $225.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to Alteration).

HANKOW	3,594	Tuesday	Dec. 24.
TACOMA	2,549	Tuesday	Jan. 14.
VICTORIA	3,167	Tuesday	Feb. 11.
HANKOW	3,594	Tuesday	Mar. 10.
TACOMA	2,549	Tuesday	Apr. 7.

THE Steamship

"HANKOW,"

Captain Orr, sailing at NOON, on TUESDAY, the 24th December, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1895. [9

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENGLOE,"

Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 28th December.

For Freight, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2655

FOR BALTIMORE.

THE A.I.I. American Bark

"AMY TURNER,"

Captain Warland, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SIEMSSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1895. [2586

STEAM TO NATAL AND CAPE PORTS BY THE NATAL DIRECT LINE FROM CALCUTTA (MESSRS. BULLARD, KING & CO.'S LINE.)

THE Undersigned having been appointed GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS of LADING for NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH, MOSSEL BAY, CAPE TOWN, DELAGOA BAY, and BEIRA. Transhipment will be made at CALCUTTA.

Next sailing from CALCUTTA, S.S. "PONGOLA" on the 15th January, 1896, to be followed by the S.S. "——" 7th February, S.S. "——" 28th February, S.S. "——" 21st March.

For Freight and further Particulars, Apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [41

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & RIG.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, &c.	Rosetta	Brit. str.	Wright, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 2nd Jan., at Noon.
LONDON VIA PORTS OF CALL	Moyune	Brit. str.	Kemp	Holliday, Wise & Co.	On 24th inst., at 3 P.M.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Tuscor	Brit. str.	Riley	Butterfield & Swire	On 24th inst.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Glenfarg	Brit. str.	Selby	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On 17th January.
LONDON	Ceylon	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 31st inst.
LONDON	Muzaffar	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 15th Jan.
LONDON	Japan	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 24th Jan.
LONDON	Pectan	Brit. str.	Hocken	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	On or about 27th inst.
HAVRE, LONDON & HBURG	Sachsen	Ger. str.	H. Supmer	Melchers & Co.	On 6th Jan., at 3 P.M.
BREMEN & PORTS OF CALL	Clan	Brit. str.	Davis	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	On or about 30th inst.
GENOA & MARSEILLES	Saghalien	Fren. str.	Le Gall	Messageries Maritimes	On 25th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON &c.	Empress of Japan	Brit. str.	Lee, R.N.R.	Canadian Pacific R. Co.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, VIA S'HAI, &c.	Hankow	Brit. str.	Orr	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 24th inst., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., &c., V. Y'HAMA	Altmore	Brit. str.		Shewan & Co.	On 27th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C., & PLAND, V. KOBE	Coptic	Brit. str.		O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA Y'HAMA	C. of Rio de Janeiro	Amer. str.		P. M. S. S. Co.	On 4th Jan., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA Y'HAMA	Brodick Castle	Brit. ship	Ferguson	Shewan & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO	Bonglee	Brit. str.	Thomson	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	On or about 28th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	E. F. Whitney	Amer. sh.	Parsons	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Torrisdale	Brit. bk.	Buchanan	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	John R. Kelley	Amer. sh.	Chapman	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Tsinan	Brit. str.	Geo. Ramsay	Butterfield & Swire	To-day, at Noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	Amy Turner	Amer. bk.	Warland	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
BALTIMORE	Hohenzollern	Ger. str.	Wettin	Melchers & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, KOBE & NAGASAKI	Verona	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd Jan.
YOKOHAMA, VIA N'SAKI & KOBE	Lennox	Brit. str.	Williamson	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	On 24th inst., at 5 P.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Palawan	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 28th inst.
S'HAI, N'SAKI, KOBE & Y'KAMA	Yamashiro Maru	Jap. str.	Macmillan	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SHANGHAI, JINSIN, & N'SAKI	Chihli	Brit. str.	Anderson	Butterfield & Swire	To-day.
SHANGHAI	Peshawur	Brit. str.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 30th inst.
SHANGHAI	Sachsen	Ger. str.	Supmer	Melchers & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	Namoa	Brit. str.	Hall	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW	Nanchang	Brit. str.	Finlayson	Butterfield & Swire	On 25th inst.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	Kutsang	Brit. str.	Payne	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On 24th inst., at 3 P.M.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA					

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S.

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lees, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 25th Dec., 1895
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 22nd Jan., 1896
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 19th Feb., 1896

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9, and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney, Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong *via* Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months. £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Line passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide-Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent.
Pedder Street.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1895. [8

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
S'HAI, N'SAKI, KOBE & Y'HAMA	PALAWAN	About 28th Dec.	Freight or Passage. (Passage through the INLAND SEA.)
SHANGHAI	PESHAWUR	About 30th Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	CEYLON	About 31st Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	ROSETTA	Noon, 2nd Jan.	See Special Advertisement.
Y'HAMA, VIA N'SAKI & KOBE	VERONA	About 3rd Jan.	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
LONDON	MARACCO	About 15th Jan.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	JAPAN	About 24th Jan.	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to.

ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1895.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUTSANG,"

Captain Payne, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 24th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [2648

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, AND BORDEAUX.

ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 25th December, 1895, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "SAGHALIEN," Commandant Le Gall, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 24th instant. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1895. [2

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"ROSETTA,"

Captain G. K. Wright, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY and LONDON on THURSDAY, the 2nd JANUARY, at NOON, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

ALF. WOOLLEY,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. [1

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

COPTIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	THURSDAY, Dec. 26, 1895, at NOON.
GAELIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	TUESDAY, Jan. 14, 1896, at NOON.
BELGIC (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama)	SATURDAY, Feb. 1, 1896, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "COPTIC" will be dispatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 26th DECEMBER, 1895, at NOON, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [4

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"LENNOX,"

Captain Williamson, R.N.R., will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 24th inst., at 5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1895. [2646

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"TEUCER,"

Captain Riley, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 24th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2581

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON, AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"PECTAN,"

Captain N. Hocken, will be despatched as above on or about the 27th inst.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1895. [2582

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1895.

(Subject to Alteration.)

ALTMORE	Friday	27th Dec.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"ALTMORE,"

will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on the 27th December.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SHEWAN & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [2638

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CITY OF RIODE JANEIRO (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama.)	SATURDAY, Jan. 4, 1896, at NOON.
CITY OF PEKING (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama.)	SATURDAY, Jan. 25, 1896, at NOON.
CHINA (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Feb. 8, 1896, at NOON.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship "CITY OF RIO-DE JANEIRO" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 4th JANUARY, at NOON, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [3

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Captain D. T. Davis, will be despatched as above on or about the 30th inst.

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1895. [2599

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [2659

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PREUSSEN	Tuesday	31st Mar.
SACHSEN	Tuesday	28th Apr.
KARLSRUHE	Tuesday	26th May.
PRINZ HEINRICH	Tuesday	30th June.

ON MONDAY, the 6th day of January, 1896, at 3 P.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA.

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1895. [7

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1895. [2413

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1895. [2414

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